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MAY 1 WASHINGTON D.C. USER FORUM MAKES WEBSITE PLAN.

Ethicsburg.gov hosted its first user forum on May 1, 2003. Various agencies and offices were represented in the one day meeting including: Treasury Departmental Offices, Bureau of the Public, Financial Management Services, Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Office of Inspector General, Treasury Inspector General Tax Administration and representatives from the White House Office of Administration.

The forum focused on planned improvements and suggestions from past and present users of the www.ethicsburg.gov website.

WEBSITE CHANGES IN PROGRESS

* Access code required to view modules.
* Only sample module seen without access.
* 3 new modules being prepared.
* New agency branded training certificates.
* Agency specific ethics official page.
* Optional agency intranet local news link.
* End of training user survey for user agency.

Local Intranet News Link Available

One new feature being developed is an Ethicsburg website link to your individual agency intranet. Others outside your agency will not see the link, but your users will see it after they logon to Ethicsburg. This feature is available if you provide an intranet page address to the Ethicsburg web team. Merely tell us the web page address for the link. Linking to an intranet page allows you to provide agency specific

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information to your users, while limiting access to the information to only those persons logged into your intranet server. Your intranet is controlled by your organization and can be used as your agency requires.

An intranet ethics page may have articles, ethics cases, regulations, opinions, editorials, or other features that you and your agency determine to be helpful. The link merely provides a convenient way to showcase what you are doing on your own intranet.   This helps integrate Ethicsburg as your training site by linking back to your own servers. Utilizing an intranet link is entirely voluntary on your part. If you decide not to link to your intranet, other Ethicsburg functions will not be effected. The intranet link only appears after you log onto Ethicsburg and only if you provide the link information.

Reviewer's Corner

Plans are underway to help Ethicsburg module reviewers more easily review new modules. One proposed upgrade is to provide a special access code to module reviewers who can login and see new modules that have been developed, but which are waiting for review and comments. Each module will have a comment due date. Reviewers that login can read the module and provide comments online. We hope this online review will provide a convenient and quick way to review new modules. We will provide more information in the future directly to the reviewers regarding the status of this feature.